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### WATER TRADED AFTER END OF MARCH CAN BE CARRIED OVER

River Murray water users who plan to buy or lease water during April, May and June this year will be able to include this water in their applications for carry-over, as long as certain criteria are met.

Department of Water, Land and Biodiversity Conservation (DWLBC) Chief Executive, Rob Freeman, said the deadline for applications to carry-over water from 2007-08 for use in the 2008-09 water year is 31 March.

“The amount of water applied for carry-over into 2008-09 cannot be changed after the deadline so irrigators must anticipate water purchases they are likely to make from April to June and include it in the carry-over application,” Mr Freeman said.

“The only conditions on carrying over water bought or leased after 31 March is the water must be included in the carry-over application and form part of the total unused volume available for extraction at 30 June 2008.”

“All people applying to carry-over water must carefully calculate the amount of water that they anticipate they will have available to them.”

Carry-over water applications must be lodged with DWLBC between 1 March and 31 March, inclusive. Late applications will not be accepted.

A second Frequently Asked Questions and Answer document about carry-over arrangements has been released. This latest document, and other information about carry-over (including application forms), is available at

[www.dwlbc.sa.gov.au/murray/drought/index.html#Carryoverwater](http://www.dwlbc.sa.gov.au/murray/drought/index.html#Carryoverwater)

For further information about carry-over arrangements or the water allocation transfer and conversion rules for 2007-08, contact DWLBC on 8595 2053.

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